

## DeKalb History Center

### Sams Family Postcard Collection

**Introduction:** This is a collection of photograph style drawings on postcards. There are postcards numbering over two hundred, some held in scrapbooks and some loose in acid-free sleeves. These postcards document the travels of the Sams family in the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries, between the approximate years 1880-1920. There are also drawings created by Augustine Sams when she attended drawing class in grade school.

**Provenance:** Gift of Dr. Richard H. Sams, 2001 (Accession #2001.39)

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**Size:** 1 manuscript box

### Description

The postcards in this collection show the extensive travels of the Sams family. Many show early bustling cities like: Philadelphia, Atlanta, Nashville, Jacksonville, Washington D.C., New York City, etc. There are many postcards of vacation spots in the Florida Keys and St. Simons Island in Georgia. Cities as far west as Kansas City are pictured, and as far east as Havana, Cuba; Rome Italy; and Dresden, Germany. The drawings made by Augustine Sams include sketches of women, children, baskets of fruit and detailed maps of Africa and Europe. The scrapbook and drawings should be handled with care, as they are delicate and aged.

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1	3	Sams Family Postcard Scrapbook	Large and aged collection of all postcards from family travels	ca. 1880- 1920